





A Service of New Hampshire Division of Fire Standards & Training

#### "Training on the Leading Edge"

222 Sheep Davis Road, Concord, New Hampshire Website – http://www.state.nh.us/safety/fst/index.html Radio – WPKR 561 154.265 Mailing Address:

10 Hazen Drive 03305 **FAX:** (603) 271-1091

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Telephone: (603) 271-2661

1-800-371-4503

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Page 2

NH RETIREMENT SYSTEM Pages 3

VISITING COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED Page 4

> NH OFFERS CERTIFICATION FOR CFOD Pages 5

STAFF BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES Pages 6-7

> NH FOREST FIRE SERVICES Page 9

COURSE AND EXAM SCHEDULE Page 10 To New Hampshire Fire and EMS personnel:

Well I can't believe that the major holiday season is rapidly approaching – we will be shoveling snow shortly, and we will have to keep the home fires burning to keep warm. This all brings to mind how vulnerable we are to this time of year with cold weather fires and dealing with the stresses that are inherent during this time of year. We all need to remember that when we respond during these times that our own safety is extremely important; don't overlook our families needs to keep us safe!

As I write this, we are well on the way to completing the initial hiring of some Emergency Medical Services folks. . .namely, the Educational Coordinator: Liza Burrill, formerly Training Coordinator in the Berlin Office; the Field Services Coordinator: Kathy Doolan, formerly Training Coordinator in the Upper Valley Office; Research Analyst Fred M. von Recklinghausen, a new hire from Newbury; Advanced Life Support Coordinator Will Owen, a new hire from Conway; and we are still working on the position of Trauma Services Coordinator. Congratulations to our new and newly-promoted EMS employees!

Mentoring is an important part within the Division of Fire Standards & Training, as we employee the Department of Safety's Mentoring Coordinator who works with fire, emergency medical services, and law enforcement to initiate mentoring initiatives. We all have someone (or more than one) that we remember as being our own mentor, who we want to be like and emulate as we grow personally and professionally. Well, it is pay back time, time to help those who

are in need of having a mentor, whether one on one or in a group setting. Scott Hunter, our Mentoring Coordinator, can be reached at the Fire Academy at 271-2661 or 1-800-371-4503. Please help those who need help...become a mentor!

Other items of interest at this writing are:

- \* The addition to the Fire Academy's dormitory is well under way; this will include 24 private rooms with baths, a large classroom (with two soundproof dividers), a large kitchen and day room. It should be completed in June 2003.
- \* Those people who are Fire Officer I & II certified can now attain Fire Officer III & IV by completing the Chief Fire Officer Designation as prescribed by the Commission for Chief Fire Officer Designation (call for more details).
- \* There will be a legislative bill to change the name of the Division during the 2003 session. The proposed new name will be Division of Fire Training and Emergency Medical Services...this will solidify our organization's mission.
- \* We just ran Rescue Systems II, the next step in the Rescue Systems program. All I can say is: Register in the future! This is a dynamic, hands-on program...especially for the rescue minded in the service!

Well, have a safe and happy winter and holiday season!

Rick Mason

Kill Allasm

Page 2 The Fire Service News

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

1st Thurs. of each month (except July-August) ..... NH Fire Standards & Training Commission Meeting, 10:00 a.m. ..... NHFA 2nd Thurs.of each month ....... Tests/Retests; sittings at 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; preregistration required by 1st of month ..... NHFA 3rd Weds. of each month...... Train-the-Trainers (watch for listings)..... NHFA **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:** November 2 ..... Seacoast EMS Fall Conference ..... Durham Critical Awareness Resource Education 2002 November 23..... Littleton Critical Awareness Resource Education 2002 ..... December 14 ..... Plymouth FIRE INSTRUCTOR PROGRAMS: November. 2002 Fire Service Instructor I NHFA FIRE OFFICER PROGRAMS: October 7 - November 8 ...... Fire Officer I & II (03-12-FO-15) ..... NHFA FIREFIGHTER PROGRAMS: October 1 - December 19 ..... Firefighter II (03-12-II-25) ..... NHFA Certified Career Firefighter (03-12-C-41) .......NHFA October 14 - 25 ..... HAZARDOUS MATERIALS PROGRAMS: Watch for future listings **INDUSTRIAL TRAINING:** Watch for future listings NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY PROGRAMS: **SPECIALTY PROGRAMS:** To Be Announced ..... NAPD Driver Operator All Vehicles ..... NHFA **TERRORISM PROGRAMS:** Watch for future listings TRAIN-THE-TRAINER PROGRAMS: Watch for future listings

## Is Safety a Core Value at Your Company?

Many successful businesses today demand that SAFETY be a core value supported by management. Profits are directly impacted by more than Just employee productivity and product quality control. Among the many factors that have proven to make an impact on the bottom line is a solid workplace safety and health program.

Safety is an integral part of the equation, in fact it is the foundation of the whole work process. When safety is made a high priority in the core values of the company, everything else is enhanced.

The Safety & Health Council of NH is a not-for-profit, membership organization and Chapter of the National Safety Council. Over 850 NH Businesses have joined the Council to utilize the many benefits provided to its members. For more information or to request a membership inquiry packet call us today!



800-834-6472

163 Manchester Street Concord, NH 03301 www.shcnh.org

#### **Training Schedule**

#### November 2002

	5&6	8:30-3:30	OSHA 10-Hour Construction			
	5&6	8:30-4:00	Safety Committee Leadership Skill			
	6,7,8	9:00-12:00	Forklift Safety Training			
	7	8:30-12:30	Fall Protection			
	7	1:00-3:30	Scaffolds & Ladders			
	12	8:30-12:00	Radiation Safety			
	12	12:00-3:30	Laser Safety			
	19	8:30-3:30	Accident Investigations			
	20	8:30-3:30	Hazard Communications			
	21	8:30-12:00	State & Federal Recordkeeping			
	21	12:00-3:30	Workers Comp			
	December 2002					
	3	8:30-3:30	Safety & Health Regulations			

December 2002						
3	8:30-3:30	Safety & Health Regulations				
4	8:30-3:30	How to Develop an Effective				
		Safety & Health Program				
10, 11	9:00-12:00	Forklift Safety Training				
11	8:30-3:30	Workplace Ergonomics &				
		Back Injury Prevention				
12	9:00-4:00	Forklift Instructor Development				
18	8:30-3:30	Safety Audits				
19	2:00-5:00	Annual Meeting				

Your Safety, Your Health, Our Commitment!

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM**



The Granite State

#### INVITATION TO ALL NEW HAMPSHIRE FIREFIGHTERS

#### Your Benefits in the New Hampshire Retirement System

The New Hampshire Retirement System is sponsoring two informational sessions for firefighters interested in learning more about their retirement benefits. To accommodate different schedules and different shifts, there will be two sessions to choose from. Spouses are encouraged to attend with you, or in your place if you cannot attend.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2002

SESSION I: from 3:00-4:30 P.M. or

SESSION II: from 7:00-8:30 P.M.

#### NH FIRE ACADEMY, 222 SHEEP DAVIS ROAD, CONCORD

To register, please e-mail tsavoy@nhrs.state.nh.us or call Theresa Savoy at 271-3351 extension 272, or toll-free at 1-877-917-6477.

## Fire Instructors & Officers Association of NH

ALLEGATION FOR WILINDLESTIII					
Name: Rank/Title:					
Street/PO Box: email:					
City/State/Zip:					
Fire Department or Organization:					
I hereby apply for: Active Membership: a) Certified NH Fire Instructor b) Chief of Fire Standards & Training c) Officers of recognized Fire Departments					
Associate Membership: Any person interested in the furtherance of Fire Service Training					
Student Membership: Any Fire Protection/Science student					
MEMBERSHIP FEE: \$10.00 due April each year, Payable to: FIOANH I agree to take an active and interested part in the work and goals of the Fire Instructors and Officers Association of New Hampshire and will do my utmost to advance fire fighting training and education in New Hampshire and to cultivate fraternal fellowship and mutual programs of training methods between all Fire Service Organizations, both State and Local.					
Application Date: Signature: Please mail this application to:					
Susan Beaudoin, Sec./Treas., FIOANH, 19 Brimstone Hill Road, Epsom, NH 03234 • Beaudoin@metrocast.net					

Page 4 The Fire Service News

September 5, 2002

TO: All New Hampshire Fire Chiefs

FROM: Donald P. Bliss, State Fire Marshal, Director of

Fire Safety & Emergency Management

RE: Reporting of Fatalities Involving Fire, Structural Building Collapse or Carbon Monoxide

Release

RSA 153:18 requires fire chiefs to notify the State Fire Marshal of any fatality that is the result of a fire, structural building collapse or the release of carbon monoxide (other than from a motor vehicle). The State Fire Marshal's Office is required to investigate within 48 hours all fires, structural building collapses or carbon monoxide incidents (other than those that involve the discharge of carbon monoxide from a motor vehicle) where death results.

To notify the State Fire Marshal's Office of a fire, structural building collapse or a carbon monoxide incident (other than those that involve the discharge of carbon monoxide from a motor vehicle) where death results, please call: 603-271-3294 (Monday-Friday, 8:15am to 4:15pm) OR 603-271-3636 (NH State Police Dispatch) (Nights, Weekends, Holidays)

Please provide the following information when making a fatality notification:

- 1. Name of person requesting assistance.
- 2. Department name.
- 3. Contact telephone number, including on-scene mobile phone number, if available.
- 4. Incident location.
- 5. Type of structure involved, e.g. single-family 11/2 story occupied dwelling, motor vehicle, etc.
- 6. Number of fatalities (or suspected fatalities).

We strongly encourage you to notify this office of incidents that involve serious injury where death may result so that an investigation can be initiated immediately. Please keep in mind that fire deaths that must be reported are not limited to structure fires. Fires with death resulting can include aircraft crashes, wildland fires, automobile crashes with fire resulting, and persons attempting to effect a rescue or attempting to escape from a fire who may die from causes other than burns or smoke inhalation. Please note that notifying the State Fire Marshal's Office of a fatality is in addition to the requirement to notify the police chief, county attorney, and medical examiner.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Deputy State Fire Marshal J. William Degnan or me at 603-271-3294.

### VISITING COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

The NH Department of Safety Division of Fire Standards & Training is nationally accredited through the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications. To remain accredited, there are a number of criteria that need to be maintained. One such item, which is probably the most important, is curriculum updates to meet the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards.

With this in mind, it is the Division's responsibility to inform the NH Fire Standards & Training Commission of such change needs in order for them to initiate a Visiting Committee to review the new standard and a curriculum that will meet the standard.

At this point, there are a number of standards that are due for updating, and Visiting Committees are needed to review them along with the curricula to keep the Division's programs current. The following NFPA standards are now up for review by the Commission:

- 1. NFPA 1001 Professional Qualifications for Firefighter
- 2. NFPA 1021 Professional Qualifications for Fire Officer
- 3. NFPA 1041 Professional Qualifications for Fire Service Instructor

Anyone who is interested, who may have some expertise in any of these standards and who may like to contribute as a member of a Visiting Committee, please contact Dale Boyd immediately at the NH Fire Academy at 603-271-2661 or 1-800-371-4503, extension 203.

# State of New Hampshire Department of Safety Division of Fire Standards & Training Bureau of Emergency Medical Services

### March 2003 NREMT-Intermediate Reregistration Process

As the National Registry of EMT's has changed the process by which they recognize re-registration at the EMT-Intermediate level, the Bureau has received a number of inquiries requesting clarification. Below listed are the steps necessary for re-registration for those EMT-Intermediates due to reregister by March 31, 2003, please note this is the NH EMS process recognized by the Registry:

- 1. Complete a NH EMS-approved 24-hour EMT-Basic Refresher Training Program (RTP)
- 2. Complete a NH EMS-approved EMT-Basic Practical Exam
- 3. Document on the NREMT-I 2003 Re-registration Form these items:

\*Section 1A: Intermediate Refresher 36 hours: in "Hours Received" section write "see attached documents", include legible photocopy of NH EMS "state seal" RTP certificate and legible photocopy of 12-hours of EMT-I level continuing education from training facility, hospital or EMS Unit.

ALS continuing education document should include date, location, topics, topic hours and be signed by Instructor, Supervisor, etc.

- \*Section IB: CPR Certification: either include legible photocopy of CPR card (expiration date beyond 5/03) or note expiration date & verifying signature on re-registration form
- \*Section II: Additional 36 hours of Continuing Education: utilize general topic categories from the US DOT EMT-Basic or EMT-Intermediate curricula. Include training only up to 36 hours total.
- \*Section III Verification of Skill Maintenance: check off the appropriate method for skills verification
- 4. Obtain signature of EMS Medical Director physician from primary Unit's Medical Resource Hospital
  - 5. Obtain appropriate primary Unit authorized signature

**NOTE:** Re-registration by the National Registry of EMT's only continues your NREMT - Intermediate certification.

To relicense as a NH EMS provider, complete the 1-page NH EMS Provider application, attach a legible photocopy of the new NREMT-I wallet card and current CPR card. Send the application to the Bureau of EMS.

Bureau relicensure by March 31, 2003 will maintain licensed provider status.

### **New Hampshire Offers Certification for CFOD**

By: Richard A. Mason, EFO, CFO Director, NH Fire Standards & Training

The New Hampshire Fire Standards & Training Commission (NHFSTC) voted at their September 5, 2002 meeting to offer reciprocity for the Chief Fire Officer Designation (CFOD) as prescribed by the Commission for Chief Fire Officer Designation. We have now applied for accreditation through the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (Pro-Board).

We came to this vote after a comprehensive review of the objectives for Fire Officer III & IV certification from the "Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications," National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard #1021. These objectives were judged against the criteria for the CFOD portfolio requirements. The CFOD either matched or exceeded the objectives required by the NFPA Standard. The NHFSTC has wrestled with the upper fire officer certification for quite some time, knowing that most of its contents should be achieved through "actions" rather than a class, followed by an exam. The CFOD documents such actions in their portfolio designation process.

The certification achieved is Fire Officer III & IV, providing that all the pre-requisite courses have been successfully completed, which include Fire Officer I & II that New Hampshire has adopted and currently has received accreditation from the Pro-Board. In New Hampshire we are very excited about this progress, as we are committed to achieving an accredited program for all the Professional Qualification series of the NFPA!

Page 6 The Fire Service News

### STAFF BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

With the addition of new full-time staff at the Division of Fire Standards & Training, the Fire Service News is again printing profiles of Division employees in each issue. This will assist you in putting a face with a name so you will know who you are talking to when you call in.



#### Diane Bunnell - Secretary

Diane Bunnell joined the Bureau of EMS in 1990 as a Secretary II in the Northern NH EMS Office in Berlin. She first learned of EMS when she took a First Responder course in 1987, and not long after became certified as an EMT. Diane has served Northern New Hampshire EMS in a number of ways, including being actively involved in the planning and coordination of the North Country EMS Conference.

While working full time for the Bureau and raising her four children, Diane has managed to obtain a Bachelor's degree with a concentration in Philosophy. Diane enjoys her two grandchildren, her wolf dog, and developing her skills in the Marshall Arts.

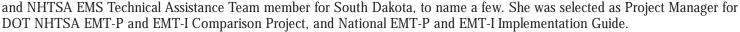
Diane resides in Berlin, and is looking forward to opportunities available with the re-organization of the EMS Bureau.

#### Liza K. Burrill - Educational Coordinator

Liza K. Burrill started out her career in EMS as a volunteer on the Gorham Ambulance service. Since that time she has upgraded her EMS training from the American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Training level to EMT-Intermediate. Liza is currently enrolled in an EMT-Paramedic Training Program.

As an EMS Bureau employee since 1989, Liza has been the Training Coordinator in the Region 5 Berlin office, and has been very involved locally, statewide and nationally in EMS. As an EMS Instructor/Coordinator, she is actively teaching First Responder, EMT-Basic, and EMT-Intermediate training programs. Her special areas of interest are EMS Instructor Training and Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement Program development.

Having served as an officer for seven years (two years as the Chairperson) in the National Council of State EMS Training Coordinators, Inc., Liza has been involved in many national projects, including the EMS Education Agenda for the Future, the EMS Education & Practice Blueprint,



Liza continues to volunteer for Gorham EMS, and practices as an EMT-Intermediate. When not doing EMS, she enjoys outdoor activities such as hiking, biking, etc. She has four children: Jennifer, Robert Jr., Michael, and Jeffrey.



#### Kathy Doolan - Training Coordinator



Kathy Doolan, NREMT-I, has worked for the New Hampshire Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) as a Training Coordinator since 1992. She has primarily served the western part of the state, supporting EMS Instructor efforts, the exam process, provider and unit issues.

Kathy has also been involved in the National Fire Protection Association's Risk Watch program, Injury Prevention and public education projects on behalf of the Bureau. She has been a pre-hospital provider in NH for 16 years, serving as a volunteer with the Washington Rescue Squad and most recently with the Sunapee FAST Squad.

For Kathy Doolan, it is a family affair. Her husband, Michael, is also a NREMT-I and is a Captain at the Hanover Fire Department. Michael volunteers along with Kathy for the Sunapee FAST Squad. Kathy enjoys gardening and working on projects around the home that she and Michael share with their dog, Buddy.



#### David F. Dow - EMS Training Coordinator

David Dow has been involved in public safety for over 30 years. He first became involved in Emergency Medical Services as a volunteer with Souhegan Valley Ambulance Service, beginning in 1972 as an American Red Cross Advanced First Aid and Emergency Care provider, advancing to a New Hampshire EMT in 1974.

In 1979 Dave graduated from New Hampshire Technical Institute with an Associate of Science with a major in Emergency Health Care, and became a Nationally Registered EMT-Paramedic, which he maintains.

He joined the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services in June of 1981 as a Training Coordinator assigned to the area designated as "Region II" which encompassed most of Cheshire and Hillsborough Counties and part of Rockingham County.

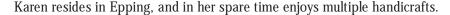
In addition to serving as a volunteer EMS provider, Dave worked for a commercial ambulance service in Boston, Massachusetts. He has also worked as a part-time police officer (six years), an emergency dispatcher (three years), and as an EMT in a hospital emergency department (three years).

He was the training officer for Souhegan Valley Ambulance Service for over 20 years and served on their Board of Directors for several years, and as Chairman of the Board for approximately four years. He is also a past president and long time member of the New Hampshire Association of Emergency Medical Technicians.

#### Karen Louis - EMS Field Representative

Karen Louis can be found working the Seacoast New Hampshire EMS Office at the Epping Fire Station. Karen was promoted to a Training Coordinator's position at the Bureau in 1991, after serving as a Secretary II in the Seacoast Office since 1986. Karen has been active juggling the training needs of the Seacoast area while managing the Practical Evaluators Examination Training Education program and writing Bureau policies.

Karen began her EMS career in 1987 as an EMT with the South Hampton Fire Department. She now serves as a volunteer with the Epping Fire Department and supports the Fire Association as their Secretary as well as is involved in the Seacoast Mutual Aid Association.





## New Hampshire Department of Safety Division of Fire Standards & Training SPECIAL INFORMATION

### Learning Disabilities Accommodation

Students with a diagnosed learning disability may request an accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) by completing and returning the Learning Disabilities Accommodation Request Form. All requests are confidential.

For specific information regarding this procedure, contact the New Hampshire Fire Academy at (603) 271-2661 or 1-800-371-4503.

Page 8 The Fire Service News

## Are there Special Kids in Your Community?

Thanks to new and advanced technology, more children with special health care needs are living at home than ever before, enabling them to participate more fully at school and in their communities. With this new independence comes a need to be well prepared for prompt, safe, specialized care in the event of an emergency. Families, caregivers, EMS providers, public safety personnel, school officials and community leaders all need to share and collaborate in this responsibility.

"Children with special health care needs" are children with any type of disability, including physical or mental limitations. The term is defined broadly and may be used to identify a frail child with asthma or food allergies, a premature baby, a ventilator-dependent child, a child with a tracheostomy, a child with heart problems, a child with delayed development or a child with limited communication skills.

Often EMS services are unaware of the children with special medical needs residing in their communities and it can create confusion and delays when an emergency occurs. The reasons for this are varied. Many of these children present with atypical vital signs and require unusual interventions, specialized equipment, or a modified approach to assessment and management of the airway, ventilation, or circulation. It is safe to say that the equipment and skills required to care for many children are not addressed in your average EMT-B or EMT-P course in New Hampshire or in any other state. Our training and experience usually serve us well but not always in these cases.

## Communication and Planning are the Keys to Saving a Life

To provide proper care, EMS providers must be familiar with the child and understand the child's medical needs long before an emergency occurs. It is important that families are in contact with their local EMS team and exchange vital information concerning their child. This initial introduction will help everyone learn more about the child's special needs - and feel more confident and secure in the event of an emergency.

The NH Bureau of EMS and the EMS for Children Project encourage families to develop written emergency care plans. The plan should be reviewed and kept on file by the local EMS service and emergency department and by the child's school, day care provider and/or recreation program. Copies should also be kept in plain sight and ready to go in the families' home and vehicles. If the child is active and independent at school, he or she may want to carry the plan in his or her backpack, wallet, or purse. This way, if and when an emergency

occurs, family members, care givers, school nurses, teachers, and EMS providers will have the information they need to effectively initiate care - and possibly save a life.

In addition to emergency care plans, children at risk for medical emergencies should be encouraged to wear a medical bracelet or necklace to help emergency providers recognize that the child has a special need. Until medical personnel can access the child's written emergency care plan, it is important a general sense of the child's condition is communicated.

#### New Hampshire's SKIP Program

SKIP, the Special Kids Information Program, has been developed by the NH EMS for Children Project to assist families and EMS providers in developing written emergency care plans. The program has informational materials for families describing the program, the importance of emergency care plans, and how to enroll their child in the program. It also provides a two page information sheet to be completed by the child's family, physician, and/or case manager. It is this sheet that becomes the basis of the emergency care plan. Key information includes:

- Age and weight
- Allergies (medications, food, latex)
- Medical conditions (diagnoses and relevant past medical history)
- Medications currently taking and medications to avoid
- Baseline findings (pulse and respiratory rates, blood pressure, orientation and communication ability)
- Best sites for vital signs assessment
- Emergency procedures that best address the child's unique needs
- Equipment used to care for the child
- Parent/caregiver contact information
- Physician's name and contact information

#### What You Can Do in Your Community

The EMSC Project has been working with hospital discharge planners/case managers to make sure that children with special health care needs are sent home with emergency care plans. Additional coordination is occurring with NH Family Voices, a statewide organization run by parents having children with special health care needs, multiple disabilities and mental health conditions. Although significant, this networking will not identify all the children who should have emergency care plans. Additional work needs to be done at the community level

continued on next page



## NH FOREST FIRE SERVICES

## News & Notes



## Remember . . . Safety First . . . On Every Incident . . . Every Time!

- 1. The Division is pleased to announce that Brenda Drouin has been hired as the Program Assistant for the Forest Protection Bureau. Brenda started in August, resides in Concord, and brings many skills to the Division as she was formerly employed in the private sector, working with computers and training. Please join us in welcoming Brenda to the team!
- 2. The Division is also working to hire the second new Forest Ranger. We had 40+ applications and 17 of these people were certified as meeting the minimum qualifications. We did the physical fitness testing and interviews the week of September 23, 2002 so we may know whom the successful candidate is by the time you read this article. This will make the Ranger ranks staffed to the full level allowed at this time, bringing the total to 13 Forest Rangers. Again, our thanks to all the people who expressed their opinions to the Legislature and helped to get us the two new Forest Ranger positions.
- 3. The 2002 fire season is still in full swing as I write this article. We are in VERY dry conditions and experiencing many lightning caused fires that are burning deep and creating challenges to suppression resources. We have utilized JBI, Inc. helicopters, the National Guard helicopter (our thanks to the National Guard and NH Office of Emergency Management for coordinating this), the NH State Police airplane (for initial size-up in New Durham), and I believe every mutual aid system has been involved. It was great to see Lakes Region and others utilize the "new statewide strike team/task group concept" to bring in the necessary assistance. We will wait for feedback as to how this worked and how we can improve on the system.
- 4. We also had an extra challenge this year as our original southern air patrol contractor was called to "active duty" for Homeland Security. We had to do without a southern air patrol until we could contract with the new vendor. We now have all three air patrols up, operating, and working with the towers on the early detection of fires.
- 5. The Warden/Deputy Warden input sessions held this past Spring provided input that we utilized this Fall with the permit restrictions. Camp and cooking fires were at the local Warden discretion, BUT the State prohibited the issuing of brush and bon fire permits, which helped to strengthen the local decisions and reduce the number of high intensity fires.
- 6. Our thanks to all the firefighters, their families and their employers who allowed the firefighters to participate in our out-of-state fire crews. New Hampshire has shipped, to date, four fire crews and many single resources.

Have a safe & fun Holiday Season!!

Sincerely, Chief Bud Nelson and the Forest Ranger staff

continued from previous page

to let families know that they can take this important step in caring for a child with special health care needs. We encourage all emergency care providers to obtain copies of the SKIP informational materials and fact sheets and distribute them to your community's school nurses, pediatricians and family practitioners, emergency departments, home health care agencies, town ADA coordinator and welfare officers, daycare providers, recreational programs and churches. Distribute the materials to any organization in your community that comes in contact with children and their families.

Taking positive steps to start a SKIP program in your community would be a wonderful gift to a family and child. An

emergency care plan can give a child more freedom and it can give parents the peace of mind that comes with knowing their child is well cared for during a medical emergency.

#### For More Information

For additional information on developing an emergency care plan for children with special health care needs or to obtain copies of the informational material and information sheets, please contact:

> Janet Houston 603-653-1131; 603-653-1139 (Fax) jhouston@dartmouth.edu NH EMSC Project, One Medical Center Drive Colburn Hill Road, Lebanon, NH 03756

Page 10 The Fire Service News

## State of New Hampshire Department of Safety, Bureau of EMS

## COURSE AND EXAM SCHEDULE NOTICE

Request for change of name, address, phone number, etc. should be sent on unit stationary and mailed to the NH Bureau of EMS, 10 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03305-0003

#### **Bureau of Emergency Medical Services - Staff Directory**

Bureau Office Secretary
National Registry ALS Testing(603)648-6467
National Registry of EMT Web Page www.nremt.org
ALS Information
BLS Information
Licensing 271-7048
Fax Number271-4567
Upper Valley NH EMS Office-Claremont 542-1863

EMS NH Toll Free Number1-888-	-827-5367
Northern NH EMS Office-Berlin	752-7531
Central NH EMS Office-Concord	271-4565
Seacoast NH EMS Office-Epping	679-5814
Southern NH EMS Office-Wilton	654-3788

## Bureau of EMS Website http://www.state.nh.us/safety/ems

COURSE DATE	COURSE LOCATION	CONTACT NAME	PHONE NUMBER	COURSE DATE	COURSE LOCATION	CONTACT NAME	PHONE NUMBER
FIRST RESPONDER RTP				2/14-2/16/03	Greenfield	David Hall	547-2222
10/30-11/13/02	Franklin	Scott Taylor	934-2060 x305	3/2-3/16/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
11/8-11/10/02	Franklin	Scott Taylor	934-2060 x305	3/14-3/16/03	Greenfield	David Hall	547-2222
11/15-11/17/02	Bradford	Alan McCartney	491-3729		EMT-IN	ITERMEDIATE	
	FN	MT-BASIC		1/7-4/17/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
0/1/02-1/30/03	Woodsville	Timothy Page	444-4857	5/6-8/14/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
10/17/02-1/31/03	Portsmouth	Richard Murphy	659-6979		PAF	RAMEDIC	
11/18-12/13/02	Conway	Lee Frizzell	447-6711	5/6/03-4/29/04	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
2/30/02-1/24/03	Conway	Lee Frizzell	447-6711	1/6-12/22/03	Dover	Al Roldan	663-4402
1/1-5/31/03	Durham	Karen Henny	862-2081		PARA	MEDIC RTP	
1/6/-4/16/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402	12/7-12/22/02	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
3/3-3/28/03	Conway	Lee Frizzell	447-6711	12// 12/22/02		CLS RTP	000 1102
1/7-5/2/03	Conway	Lee Frizzell	447-6711	2/12/-9/18/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
5/5-8/13/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402	2/12/-9/10/03			003-4402
5/12-6/6/03	Conway	Lee Frizzell	447-6711			AMLS	
	FMT-BASIC	-RTP CONTINUED		11/2-11/3/02	Conway	Adv. Life Support Inst.	447-4249
10/30-11/13/02 Franklin Scott Taylor 934-2060 x305				BCLS	PROVIDER		
11/1-2 & 11/8-9/02	Conway	David Hughes	447-6711	11/18 & 11/21/02	Peterborough	Gary Zirpolo	924-4663
1/1-11/3/02	Rindge	David Hall	547-2222	2/1/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
11/2-11/16/02	Laconia	David Rivers	527-7159	05/18/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
1/4-11/21/02	Goffstown	Mike Hall	623-9611		CRITICAL C	CARE TRANSPORT	
11/7-11/10/02	Newmarket	Donna Vadeboncoeur	773-4925	01/4-3/15/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
11/8-11/10/02	Franklin	Scott Taylor	934-2060 x305	05/3-7/12/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
1/8-11/10/02	Chichester	John Prickett	798-5690		DEFIR I	MANUAL RTP	
11/8-11/10/02	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402	01/18/03	Raymond	Donna Vadeboncoeur	773-4925
11/15-11/17/02	Bradford	Alan McCartney	491-3729	017 107 00	3		770 1720
11/22-11/24/02	Wilton	David Hall	547-2222	44/5 44/7/00		IEDS MODULE	770 4005
12/6-12/8/02	Swanzey	David Hall	547-2222	11/5-11/7/02	Newmarket	Donna Vadeboncoeur	773-4925
12/6-12/8/02	New London	Tom Perron	526-5501			PALS	
12/6-12/8/02	Concord	Sally Becker	648-6467	12/14-12/15/02	Conway	Adv. Life Support Institute	
2/7-12/21/02	Laconia	David Rivers	527-7159	01/8-1/15/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
12/14-12/16/02	Conway	Frank Hubbell	447-6711	05/7-5/14/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
1/3-1/5/03	Brentwood	Donna Vadeboncoeur	773-4925		PA	ALS RTP	
1/5-1/19/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402	01/22/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402
2/7-2/9/03	Concord	Sally Becker	648-6467	05/21/03	Manchester	Paula Godbout	663-4402

#### PRACTICAL AND WRITTEN EXAMS

#### NATIONAL REGISTRY OF EMT'S INTERMEDIATE AND PARAMEDIC EXAMS:

All Intermediate and Paramedic Exams Are Given in Concord, NH Dates: 10/13, 11/17, & 12/15 Contact: Sally Becker (603) 648-6467 www.beckertraining.org

#### PRACTICAL EXAMS

COURSE DATE	COURSE LOCATION	CONTACT NAME	PHONE NUMBER			
FIRST RESPONDER						
11/16/2002	Berlin	Liza Burrill	752-7531			
11/16/2002	Concord	Sally Becker	648-6467			
12/02/2002	Franklin	Scott Taylor	934-2060 X305			
12/07/2002	Berlin	Liza Burrill	752-7531			
12/14/2002	Concord	Sally Becker	648-6467			
02/15/2003	Berlin	Liza Burrill	752-7531			
EMT-BASIC						
11/3/2002	Epsom	George Patterson	(866)736-1769			
11/16/2002	Berlin	Liza Burrill	752-7531			
11/16/2002	Concord	Sally Becker	648-6467			
12/07/2002	Berlin	Liza Burrill	752-7531			
12/02/2002	Franklin	Scott Taylor	934-2060 X305			
12/14/2002	Concord	Sally Becker	648-6467			
01/23/2003	New London	Pam Drewniak	526-5501			
02/15/2003	Berlin	Liza Burrill	752-7531			
WRITTEN EXAMS (Includes First Responder, NR EMT)						
11/08/2002	Concord	Lenny Deane	271-4565			
11/22/2002	Concord	Lenny Deane	271-4565			
12/05/2002	Franklin	Scott Taylor	934-2060 X305			
12/13/2002	Concord	Lenny Deane	271-4565			
01/27/2003	New London	Pam Drewniak	526-5501			

#### FYI

#### Granite State Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Team 14 Alpine Street, Manchester, NH 03102

The **Granite State Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Team** 

Providing service to:

Emergency Medical Services

☐ Fire Departments

Police DepartmentsHospital Emergency Department Personnel

☐ Rescue Agencies

EMERGENCY ANSWERING SERVICE: (603) 595-3792

OTHER INFORMATION:

NASHUA FIRE RESCUE: (603) 881-9611 OR 1-800-266-8545

#### 10<sup>™</sup> ANNUAL NORTH COUNTRY NH EMS CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 17-20, 2002

The Grand Summit Hotel and Conference Center

Bartlett, NH

Contact: Kurt Lucas, Conference Director (603) 444-9205

Southern NH Bureau of Emergency Medical Services is ON THE MOVE!!!!!!

Our doors are open for business at the new Southern NH Bureau of EMS Office, Wilton.

Please note the following:

Office Location Mailing/Shipping Address:

Southern NH EMS Office Southern NH EMS Office 6 Burns Hill Road PO Box 125 Wilton NH 03086 Wilton NH 03086 Phone: (603) 654-3788

Fax: (603) 654-3791

Please feel free to stop by and visit us in our new location!

#### DHMC TWELFTH ANNUAL TRAUMA CONFERENCE

TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER, 2002

Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center Lebanon New Hampshire (603) 650-7314 or (603) 650-6064

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION AND MISCELLANEOUS COURSES

11/07/2002 "New Vehicle Extrication with Peter Hayes," Peterborough, NH
Contact: Gary Zirpolo at 924-4616

12/05/2002 "Pediatric Burns with Pat Lyberger" Peterborough, NH
Contact: Gary Zirpolo at 924-4616

12/20-12/21/2002 "12 hours of ALS hours," Manchester, NH
Contact: Paula Godbout at 663-4402

1/18-1/19/2003 "12 hours of ALS hours," Raymond, NH
Contact: Donna Vadeboncoeur at 773-4925

2/7-2/8/2003 "12 hours of ALS hours," Manchester, NH
Contact: Paula Godbout at 663-4402

#### NH FIRE STANDARDS AND TRAINING PROGRAM COURSES

Fall—Winter 2002 Various courses at National Fire Academy are available.

Contact: Admissions Office-National Fire Academy at

(301) 447-1035

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION AND MISCELLANEOUS COURSES

Variety of EMS/Nursing Topics, Center for Continuing Education for Healthcare Providers Series NH Technical Institute Concord, NH, Contact: 271-6663

Variety of Nursing & Patient Programs, Lebanon, NH, Contact: Center of Continuing Education, DHMC (603) 650-1524

The NH Office of Emergency Management offers a variety of emergency services courses. For calendar programs, contact: NH Office of Emergency Management, 107 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH, 03301 1-800-852-3792

Monthly EMS Rounds, Exeter Hospital EMS Education, Exeter, NH. First Tuesday of the month, 7:00-9:00 p.m, Contact: Mike Nickerson at (603) 773-7925

Monthly Advanced Care Provider Rounds, Exeter Hospital EMS Education, Exeter, NH, Contact: Mike Nickerson at (603) 773-7925

Monthly EMS Critiques/Lectures, Wentworth-Douglass Hospital, Dover, NH, Contact: Gail Wasiewski at (603) 740-2174

Monthly ALS Topics, Manchester, NH, Contact: Elliot Hospital EMS at (603) 663-2699

Monthly EMS Continuing Education topics, Laconia, NH, Contact: Dave Rivers at 527-7159

Monthly EMS Continuing Education topics, SOLO, Conway, NH, Contact: SOLO at (603) 447-6711

Monthly EMS Continuing Education topics, second Tuesday evenings for EMS District A-6 held at DHMC, Lebanon, NH, Contact: Kathy Crawford at 643-2255

Monthly "EMS Use of Hyperbaric Chambers" seminars. Catholic Medical Center, Manchester, NH, Contact: Comm. Services at (603) 626-6526

Monthly In-Services, Memorial Hospital North Conway, NH. Third Tuesday of every month 7:00-9:00 p.m., Contact: Will Owen at 603-356-5461

Variety of OSHA Training Programs, Contact: OSHA Training Institute Educational Center New England at 1-800-449-6742

Occupational Safety College Degree Program, UNH-Manchester, NH, Contact: David Buck at 645-0070

On-going Fire & Rescue Courses, Contact: NH Fire Standards & Training at 271-2661

NH Driver/Operator — All Vehicle Certification Programs, Contact: Tom McDermott, NH Municipal Association at 1-800-646-2758 or Bill Clark, NH Fire Academy at 1-800-371-4503

On-going EMS-related programs, Contact: The Center for Continuing Education for Healthcare Providers, NH Technical Institute-Concord, NH at 271-2663 or at www.nhti.net

NH Bureau of Emergency Communications (911) offers on-going monthly topics including 911, Emergency Medical Dispatch, and other related topics, Contact: Steve L'Heureux at NHBEC 271-6911 x235

## NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTIONS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE TO NEW HAMPSHIRE FIREFIGHTERS

Subscriptions to the quarterly Newsletter are available to NH Firefighters at no charge simply by completing the request below.

Name:						
S.S. # D.O.B	Email Address:					
Address:						
Town: State:	Zip:					
Primary Fire Dept. Affiliation: Full Time Career (over \$10,000 Annually?): Yes ( ) No ( )						
Primary Fire Department:						
Rank:						
Secondary Fire Department:	_ Rank:					
Submit Completed Subscription Request Forms To:	Newsletter Request New Hampshire Fire Academy 10 Hazen Drive Concord NH 03305					



NH Department of Safety Division of Fire Standards & Training 10 Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03305 29

PRSRT STD U.S. POSTAGE PAID CONCORD NH PERMIT #1478